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SUBJ: LEGISLATIVE ELECTION RESULTS

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1. SUMMARY: RESULTS OF MAY 28 LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS SHOW HIGH PERCENTAGE PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT FOR CNU PARTY LIST. END SUMMARY.

2. FINAL RESULTS OF MAY 28 LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS SHWO THAT 98.68 PERCENT OF REGISTERED VOTERS ACTUALLY WENT TO THE POLLS AND 99.98 PERCENT OF THEM VOTED FOR THE CNU LIST.

3. OF THE SEVEN PROVINCES, ONLY IN THREE PROVINCES WAS THERE A NOTICEABLE INCIDENCE OF VOID BALLOTS--CENTRAL SOUTH 99, LITTORAL 164 AND NORTHWEST 300 OF A TOTAL OF 1,817,455 VOTES CAST. DEFAACEMENT, WHICH AMONG OTHER THINGS MAY BE INTERPRETED AS A REJECTION OF PARTY LIST, RENDERS A BALLOT INVALID.

4. THE INAUGURAL SESSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN CONVENED FOR JUNE 6. THE LEGISLATIVE BODY WILL HAVE 120 PARLIAMENTARIANS OF WHICH 23 ARE NEW MEMBERS.

5. COMMENT: ELECTION RESULTS WERE FAIRLY PREDICTABLE.

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CNU MOBILIZATIONAL EFFORTS PROVED FRUITFUL. SOME MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATED COMMUNITY PRIVATELY EXPRESSED THEIR SKEPTICISM OF ELECTORAL PROCEDURE, CONTENDING THAT OUTCOME OF ELECTION ALREADY FAIT ACCOMPLI WHEN CNU'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE APPROVED LIST OF CANDIDATES ON MAY 7. IN ESSENCE, BALLOTING REPRESENTED RATIFICATION OF PARTY LIST RATHER THEN SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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